

## Message Text

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ACTION CU-03

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 /016 W  
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R 291439Z APR 75  
FM AMEMBASSY MOSCOW  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9743  
INFO USIA WASHDC  
AMCONSUL LENINGRAD

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: SCUL UR  
SUBJECT: METROPOLITAN/HERMITAGE EXCHANGE

STATEFOR CU/ARTS: USIA FOR IEE; LENINGRAD FOR P&C

REF: MOSCOW 4141

1. DEPMIN CULT POPOV, WHO RETURNED "TIRED BUT EXTREMELY PLEASED" WITH ENTIRE VISIT, INFORMED P&C COUNSELOR AT AIRPORT ARRIVAL THAT ASST. SECRETARY RICHARDSON HAD RECEIVED AND ACCEPTED INVITATION TO ATTEND METROPOLITAN OPENING IN LENINGRAD. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE INFORMATION ON COMPOSITION OF REST OF DELEGATION AND ANY OTHER DETAILS.

2. EMBASSY PLANS, IN KEEPING WITH PROTOCOL AS WE PERCEIVE IT, TO INFORM MICULT THAT AMBASSADOR PLANS TAKE PART IN EXHIBIT OPENING CEREMONY IN LENINGRAD. NOT YET KNOWN WHO RANKING SOVIET WILL BE.

3. EMBASSY NOTES DOBRYNIN DELIVERED STATEMENT FROM BREZHNEV ON OCCASION OF HERMITAGE OPENING IN NEW YORK. IS SIMILAR MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT FORD PLANNED AND WHAT FORM OF DELIVERY CONTEMPLATED?

4. ALTHOUGH DETAILS NOT FIXABLE AT PRESENT, CONGEN  
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AND EMBASSY WILL WANT TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS

RARE EVENT WITH SUITABLE REPRESENTATIONAL ACTIVITIES.  
CAN CU/ARTS PROVIDE FUNDING TO COVER?

5. IN CONNECTION THESE REPRESENTATIONAL EVENTS AND FOR  
OTHER OCCASIONS, WE WOULD FIND IT MOST VALUABLE TO  
HAVE PRESENTATION PACKETS OF REPRODUCTIONS OF A BALANCED  
SELECTION OF EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN PAINTINGS IN COLLECTION,  
OR OTHER RELATED MATERIALS SUCH AS METROPOLITAN CATALOGUES  
OF AMERICAN HOLDINGS. ALSO, WILL EMBASSY AND CONGEN  
RECEIVE COPIES OF EXHIBIT CATALOGUE FOR PRESENTATION  
PURPOSES?  
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